

Health Alert Network Message 21-19: Information Regarding the Johnson & Johnson Vaccine

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Revision Dates (List All Revision Dates):

The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) is ordering the State's full allocation of the Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) COVID-19 vaccine on Sunday, February 28, 2021. The <u>FDA granted an EUA for Janssen's COVID-19 vaccine</u>, ACIP met to recommend the vaccine for persons 18 and older, and the CDC Director signed the recommendation.

Johnson and Johnson has communicated that the weekly supply will be limited for the next few weeks after the initial distribution until the manufacturing cycle steadies. Additional information on how enrolled COVID-19 vaccine providers can request the Johnson & Johnson vaccine will be forthcoming soon.

The criteria on who is eligible to be vaccinated has not changed. Please continue to vaccinate following the guidance from https://ldh.la.gov/covidvaccine/. The additional amount of vaccine will allow expansion to more priority groups. This third COVID-19 vaccine will assist in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.